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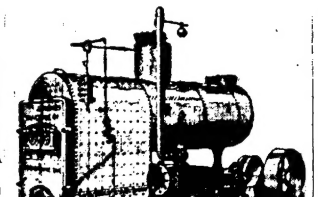

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Eastern and English Capital Becoming Largely Interested.

SEVERAL LARGE DEALS NOW ON.

IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MIKADO AND OTHER MINES.—THE EAGLE LAKE DISTRICT.

The fall season of 1900 opens with the brightest and most flattering prospects known in Western Ontario for many months. Many capitalists or their representativs have been in the district during the past month and they say there is plenty of money for investment in Ontario mines and expect to see a number of deals closed before winter. There are two or three propositions on the way involving large sums and also a number of small deals.

Several properties which have been closed down will shortly be opened up. Mr. Burley Smith has been in town for a number of days and has looked over several properties. He states that the Burley mine, next the Sultana, will be reopened this fall and work vigorously pushed.

Development work on the Combine, now under the management of Mr. Meiville, formerly of the Regina, is giving satisfactory results.

The Eagle lake district has of late been attracting the major portion of attention. This is due largely to the very rich ore which is being obtained from the different properties in course of development there. J. H. Caslor's property is turning out away beyond his expectations. He has obtained much visible gold, and the assays all run high.

GOOD ASSAYS.

Two samples of ore of 100 lbs each were this week brought in from the Little Bobs, and assays of the whole lot were made which gave $6.40 and $7.60 to the ton. These samples were taken from two different shafts 300 characteristic note of the situation, and a note which makes it dangerous, is the reciprocal distrust of the powers engaged in making their action felt in China. "All protest disinterestedness and all declare that they have but one object, namely, to defend and to maintain the rights of civilization. "All assert that they have no thought of any personal interest; but there is, nevertheless, general distrust, and it is this fact which constitutes the gravest danger to the peace of each. "All are convinced that these protests of disinterestedness are merely a sort of transparent screen, behind which ends are aimed at.

"If the universal suspicion is not speedily allayed things will go rapidly from bad to worse, and China, whose aim is to increase the general distrust, will succeed easily in transforming latent suspicion into overt hostilities, which will bring forth a general conflagration."

After much more matter of the same sort, which does not appear to be supported by any special information, the correspondent contends that the danger can be removed only by the powers signing a solemn engagement not to claim separate advantages, direct or indirect.

Chamber of Mines.

A meeting of the Rat Portage members of the Chamber of Mines was held in the offices in the Clougher block Tuesday evening, with D. C. Cameron in the chair. Mr. Malcolm, the secretaay, gave a short resume of the work of the institution since its inception. Its present needs were also dealt with. Great difficulty is found in getting all the information required on account of the apathy and procrastination of mining men. They are very slow in making returns and it requires almost a personal solicitation before the desired information is obtained. This should not be so, especially as the Chamber is designed to be of distinct advantage to them when the time comes that their properties are in a position to be placed before investors. A complete record is kept of each property and this record will carry weight, in fact be the deciding point with investors. The members of the Chamber make nothing out of it, in fact it is maintained by them for the general good. An effort will be made and a committee appointed to interview the Dominion and Ontario governments, and the C.P.R. to obtain some assistance from them

SEINE RIVER MINES

The Outlook is Very Promising.

NEW PROPERTIES NOW OPENED UP

THE FOLEY LOOKING WELL AND INCREASING ITS FORCE.

During the past summer, on account of the low water in Rainy river, and Rainy lake and the consequent great difficulty of transportation, mining in the Seine river district was not as active as formerly. However the conditions have changed and there is a great revival around Mine Centre. A prominent mining man who has just returned from that district says things never looked better for general activity than at the present time. Maj. Whiteley is operating the Mayflower and Hidden Treasure for and English syndicate, who took over these properties after careful examination, and work will be pushed on them during the coming winter.

One of the most important discoveries during the season was made by the prospecting party of the Anglo-Canadian Gold Estates, Limited of London. It is situated near Lake Harold, and they have traced the vein which is seven feet wide for a great distance. The values run up very high. It is fortunate that the property has been secured by a company with ample capital so that the work of development will be carried on with vigor. Mr. Jas. Bow, late inspector of mines, has been given charge by Mr. Sullivan of this section of the company's work. An interesting fact in connection with this rich find of the Gold Estates, is that it has been walked over by prospectors many times during the past couple of years. This goes to show that many of the older sections of this district have as yet been but superficially prospected.

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others have deserted in various directions, and the balance are reported to have crossed the Kounti river, and to be occupying the spurs of the Lebombo mountain south of the railway.

"A general tumult seems to have occurred when they recognized the hopelessness of their cause. Their Long Toms and field guns have been destroyed, and nothing is left of the Boer army but a few marauding bands. Kelly-Kenny is dealing with one of these, which occupies a position at Doornberg."

The Hypnotic Entertainment.

The Hilliard opera house has held good crowds all this week to hear and see the wonderful things that Mr. McEwen, the hypnotist, provides as an entertainment. Mr. McEwen has visited Rat Portage on two previous occasions, but his hold on the people as an entertainer has not waned, but rather increased. He prefaces the entertainment with a short talk on hypnosis, explaining in as simple a manner as possible the science of which he seems to be a master. He does not lay claim to any occult or mysterious power by which his subjects submit to the suggestions. His assistant, Miss Lakirs, is almost as successful as a hypnotist, and seems to possess the same power over the subjects. She has a pleasing and natural manner on the stage. If you have not already attended the entertainment make it a point to be there tonight or tomorrow afternoon or evening.

You are Talked About

Mrs. Ludlow and daughter have returned home to Winnipeg, after an enjoyable month's stay at Richard Thompson's summer residence on Coney Island.

Mr. Ludlaw, a divinity student has been visiting his brother Dr. Laidlaw of this town left for his home London, Ont., on Tuesday.

A. McLeod, D. Matthenson, D'Arcy Copeland, W. Dixon and T. Anderson arrived in town from the Eldorado mine.

H. Bastedo and Geo. Boxall of Toronto are at the Hilliard House.

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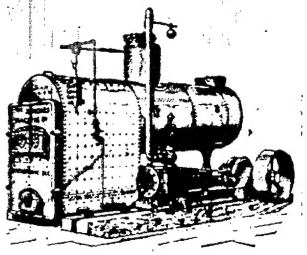

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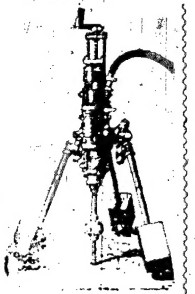

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The Victor Mining Co.

The Victor company, as stated in last week's issue, have a number of men building suitable camps for their property, an island in Denmark lake. It is their intention to put down a shaft to a depth of 200 feet, and work will be commenced at once. The Victor is the adjoining property to the Little Bobs and on the same lead. The two companies are proceeding on different lines in the development of their properties, but it is to the advantage of each, as they will both prove the immense vein in different directions. The Little Bobs is crosscutting the vein to the extent of 60 feet at various places, and also sinking a number of 15 or 25 foot pits to test the values below the zone of decomposition, while the Victor company has decided upon sinking as above stated. As the properties are on the same lead and both similar the development work on both will prove the value of the other at a minimum cost. Both companies are largely composed of local people, well acquainted with mining conditions here and we are glad that they are thus enabled to work to the advantage of the other.

THE WORLD'S PEACE THREATENED

A Pessimistic View Taken by a Paris Journal.

London, September 18.—While from various sources come assertions that the harmony of the powers is not disturbed regarding China, the Paris correspondent of the Times strikes a loud note of alarm. He says:

"Not since the Franco-Prussian war has the peace of the world been in such danger as it appears to be to-day.

"Never, it would seem, has it been so easy for a rupture to occur. The fore investors. A complete record is kept of each property and this record will carry weight, in fact be the deciding point with investors. The members of the Chamber make nothing out of it, in fact it is maintained by them for the general good. An effort will be made and a committee appointed to interview the Dominion and Ontario governments, and the C.P.R. to obtain some assistance from them in furthering the propaganda of the institution. The meeting made recommendations along this line to the executive committee which will meet in Winnipeg shortly. The institution has already done a great deal of good in directing the attention of the people of Europe to this district, and it will be but a short time till the results of its work are shown here in increased activity in the mining industry.

GALVESTON'S RECOVERY.

The City Being Rebuilt.—The Dead Placed at 6000.

Galveston, Sept. 18.—"The situation continues to improve," is what one is told now when one applies at any of the various headquarters for information. The work has been brought down to a business basis as far as possible. The men have been assured of compensation for their labor and they now go about their unpleasant tasks with a much better grace than heretofore.

Supplies and money are now pouring in from all over the country. It is stated that a least seven figures are needed to express the amount of cash so far received. This is being used judiciously.

The opinion is general that the number of dead will be about 6,000. The exact number of course will never be definitely known. There are no developments which would lead to the belief that the estimate of a property loss of $22,500,000 is too high.

The people are becoming more cheerful every day. Everybody seems to be doing all there is to do toward ultimate rehabilitation.

Imperial House Dissolved.

Aberdeen, Sept. 17th.—At a meeting of the council at Balmoral to-day, it was decided that the dissolution of Parliament should take place on September 24th. The Queen has signed proclamation of dissolution. A writ will be issued Sept. 25, summoning the new Parliament to assemble November 1st. The first nominations and the unopposed returns will occur September 29th. The first pollings will take place October 1st.

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The Manhattan is preparing for work on a large scale and will install larger machinery.

The Olive is also arranging for additional development work and a small crew is at work in a cross-cut on the Randolph. Good results are being obtained at the big Foley mine and the force is being increased. The Golden Star is increasing its force and the ten additional stamps will soon be added.

Plenty of water in the lakes and rivers is the cause of this renewed activity in the Seine district, and the outlook for business is very promising.

Duke of York to go to Australia.

London, Sept. 17.—It is officially announced that the Duke and Duchess of York will visit Australia in the spring. The duke will open the first session of the parliament of the new commonwealth of Australia on behalf of the Queen, who in the announcement says that she desires to give this special proof of her interest in all that concerns the welfare of her Australian subjects, while at the same time she wishes to signify her appreciation of the loyalty and devotion which prompted the spontaneous aid so liberally offered in the South African war and the splendid gallantry of the colonial troops.

Boer Commandos Breaking Up Fast

London, Sept. 20.—Lord Roberts cables from Nelspruit on the Pretoria-Delagoa Bay railroad, not far from Komati Poort the frontier station under date of Wednesday, Sept 19, as follows:

"Of the 3,000 Boers who retreated from Komati Poort before the British advance from Machadodorp, 700 have entered Portuguese territory, the

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Jno. Dean, of the Hamilton Powder Co., has returned from Winnipeg. Mr. Dean's territory is now a large one, extending from Fort William to the Rockies.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Rothschild have removed to Winnipeg.

D. Hyland, of Port Hyland, Minn., is in town.

Mrs. R. Laird left last week for Sudbury to join her husband, who is now the engineer on the survey of the new railway from Copperclife to Michipicoten.

Mr. P. Culligan, formerly manager of the Black Sturgeon is in town this week. His many friends were pleased to see him.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Smith, of the Sirdar, are in town.

B. Hodgins, of Hawk Lake, was in town on Thursday.

Mr. P. McLaren of Minneapolis is in town this week.

Mr. James Conmee, M.P.P. was in town this week looking after his mining interests and incidentally sizing up the political situation. It is generally understood that Mr. Conmee is after the Liberal nomination for the Dominion House, and it seems to me with favor from a number of local Liberals. What disposition will be made of the present member, Mr. Dyment, is not mentioned, though it is generally understood he is also after the nomination again. If Mr. Conmee resigns his seat in the local house to run for the Dominion it may necessitate an election for the legislature, though it is quite probable the Conservatives would not nominate opposition for the bye-election, but rather conserve their strength for the general provincial elections later on.

CANADIANS RETURNING.

Ottawa, Sept. 19. A cable was received at the militia department today from Lieut.-Col. Biggar, Cape Town, stating that 500 of the first Canadian contingent had elected to return to Canada within the week their service, Oct. 1. Col. [illegible] parade slate showed 875 st[illegible] South Africa.

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His Wayward Way

He Was Double the Age of the Girl He Loved, and It Troubled Him.

Matthew Halliday sighed. She was so wayward, so provoking, so lovable, so pretty!

But he was much too old.

Matthew came from Quaker stock in the City of Brotherly Love. He was temperamentally sedate and at 38 felt himself to be quite a Methuselah. Besides she had, so to speak, grown up at Matthew's knee, he having stood to her and her brother in loco parentis for something like 12 years—ever since Matthew's best beloved friend, Howard Joy, took his invalid wife away for a sea voyage, leaving his two children in the good care of a maiden aunt and his business affairs in the safe hands of Matthew Halliday, banker; ever since the good ship Aurora went down in a fearful gale in the West Indies.

But now the term of Matthew's self-imposed guardianship was over. Howard Joy, Jr., had made a successful start in the world and was quite ready to give dear old Mat any pointers he needed about life in general.

As for Miss Evelyn Russell Joy, as she invariably and unabbreviatingly subscribed herself, whom Matthew called "Eve" or oftener "Miss Idlewild"—well, she, too, had made a successful start in life after the manner of girls. She was [illegible] reflected. She had also a power of winning love, [illegible] the finger tips. She [illegible] to see. Besides [illegible] a full list of admirers, and [illegible] came riding.

Matthew was half this with a certain sort [illegible] "Fool" he [illegible] himself, was very hearty [illegible] tempt.

It was to crush a darling plan of his pretty ward that Howard stalked into Matthew's office one morning, his brow wrinkled in a portentous frown.

"Mat," he said abruptly, "it seems to me Evelyn has been spending money like the deuce lately. Haven't you been letting her draw her interest ahead of time?"

"Sometimes she has anticipated a little," he said slowly, "but it is no great matter."

"But it is very bad for her," said Howard, with a parental air. "You know yourself, Mat, she has no more idea of business than a butterfly. She ought to learn to live within her income. And she is becoming quite reckless about money matters and other things."

Matthew pricked up his ears. "What other things?"

"Why, it is chiefly that playwriting fellow, Duval. He has a comedy to be brought out in New York next week, and about 20 young people there propose to make up a party for the first night. He is among them. They have [illegible] and theatre, as it happens."

"She [illegible] Matthew.

"I [illegible] you see that way." Howard, with a grunt. "I will manage my own money matters. Then I will know just how much I have and spend it as I please without begging for it. I am of age, and I will not endure such treatment any longer."

All this she said in anger, never dreaming that long suffering Matthew would take her at her word.

"Very well," he said, and he was a little pale as he spoke. "I will take steps to this end at once. You will find I have not abused my trust."

Incensed as she was, Miss Idlewild's head drooped with something like shame at these words. Never in her life had Matthew spoken to her like this. Never before had she felt abashed and frightened in his presence. A swift sense of his fidelity and her own ingratitude rushed over her.

"Matthew!" she faltered, and she took a step forward, but he turned away.

"You will pardon me if I leave you," he said formally, "I am very busy this morning."

He held the door open for her, and with burning cheeks she hurried out, and no word was spoken by either as they parted.

Poor Matthew was cut to the heart.

Certainly she tried to make amends to him in a thousand ways. Indeed, her manner to him was so much gentler that he began to think she had guessed his secret—that she pitied him.

Matthew lived only about half a block from the Joys, and Evelyn was in the habit of running in and out of his house as if it were her own. She was a very special pet of Miss Abby, Matthew's maiden sister, who kept [illegible] him.

Mat [illegible] went into his study one [illegible] at 8 o'clock and closed the [illegible] strict orde[illegible] t he was to be disturbed. I[illegible] about 15 [illegible]tes later, just as [illegible] d settled [illegible] for his evening's [illegible]ng, when he heard the doorbell r[illegible]g, [illegible]en quick footsteps running dow[illegible] hall, followed by a gentle tap at [illegible]s door.

He did not say, "Come in," but got up, with some irritati[illegible] and opened the door.

It was Miss Idlewild in evening dress, with a frothy looking pink thing over her head and shoulders laugh[illegible] and out of breath.

"May I come in?" she said demurely.

Matthew looked at her unsmiling, still holding on to the door.

"Abby is out," he said. "She has gone with some ladies to a b[illegible]."

"How lively for her!" said Miss Idlewild rather quickly. Apparently she was her old self this evening.

"Did you come over here [illegible] to wrap [illegible] but that flimsy thing?" said Matthew, looking his very crossest.

"Yes, grandmother." This was what she called Matthew when he [illegible] her.

He had hitherto [illegible] patient silence, but to [illegible] him:

"I object to your address [illegible] that manner," he said with [illegible]

"I beg your pardon, Matthew," she said, looking a little frightened. It was only in fun.

Then he said: "You will take your hat off and stop [illegible]ing back. I will send for a [illegible]. And he rang the bell as he spoke.

"I'm going to take you [illegible]

Apollinaris

("THE QUEEN OF TABLE WATERS")

BEWARE OF SUBSTITUTIONS.

On Reading Aloud.

It is a distinct loss that reading is so badly taught and that so few people know anything about the magic of the poets in their use of sound. We read almost exclusively with the eye, although poetry is primarily intended for the ear. Shakespeare wrote almost exclusively for the ear, and we remain unmoved by the wonderful vibration of his great passages until we hear them.

Poetry ought always to be heard first and read afterward. If the best of Browning is sympathetically and intelligently interpreted by the voice, the much discussed obscurity is not in evidence. Many people find, for instance, a little difficulty in getting the clear and full significance of "The Portrait of the Last Duchess" when they read it for the first time, but it fastens itself instantly on the imagination if it is well read.

A good deal of time now devoted to commentaries and text study might profitably be given to reading the text aloud without note or comment. A work of art slowly discloses its full meaning, and familiarity with it is the first condition of comprehension.—Hamilton Mabie in Harper's Bazar.

London Bakers, 1310.

In 1310 we find the following Bow bakeresses accused of selling halfpenny loaves deficient in weight: Sarra Foting, Christina Terrice, Godiveva Foting, Matilda de Bollingtone, Christina Prichef, Isabella Sperling, Alice Peerces, Johanna de Countebrigge and Isabella Pouveste. One wonders why the husbands were not summoned. In a similar case in 1316, when Agnes Foting's bread was seized, it was "adjudged that her bread should be forfeited and given to the prisoners in Newgate because her husband did not come to avow (own) the bread." Are we to assume that in the absence of the husbands the bread was merely forfeited without the affliction of a fine?

An indication of the importance of the bread taking business is also found in an enactment of the reign of Henry III to the effect that "every cart of Brendale (Bromley-by-Bow) or Steven hethe (Stepney) that comes into the city with bread shall pay each day [illegible] Gentleman's Magazine.

A Queer Way in Church.

The most original character we meet in the "Memoirs of the Princess Mary" is her father, Duke Adolphus of Cambridge. He was a strong [illegible] man but "in religion sometimes [illegible] rather an [illegible] Once [illegible] asked after the [illegible] man had [illegible] the question "Let [illegible] and to read [illegible] the

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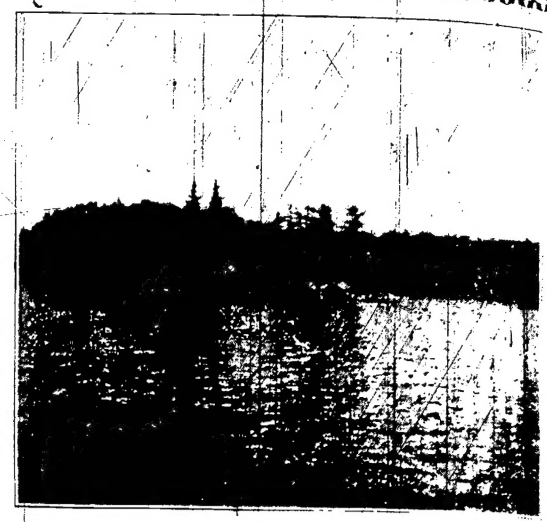

HOMESTAKE POINT.

We Called it Low Grade

BUT HOW'S THIS?

THOS. F. BIRBECK, the contractor [illegible] is sinking, has just visited St. Paul. He [illegible] down great property which we have [illegible] ing results:—

[illegible] by

CHARLES W. DREW, Ph. B., M. D.

Analytical and Consulting Chem[illegible] Assayer. Pr[illegible] of Chemistry and Toxicology, Medical De[illegible] of Hamline University, Director of Minnesota Institute [illegible] ory. Formerly Chemist to State of Minnesota. Ch[illegible] of Minneapolis, Etc.

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2	[illegible]	[illegible]	None	[illegible]	12.40
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	4.80	35.00

[illegible] E. VAN CLEVE, Assayer.

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Yellow, Duval. He has a comedy to be brought out in New York next week, and about 20 young people here propose to make up a party for the first night. Evelyn is among them. They have a rather good chaperon, as it happens, but"—

"She must not go," said Matthew.

"I thought you'd see it that way," Howard replied, with a satisfied air. "So all you have to do when she demands money for this expedition is to say 'No.' You can do this because she has overdrawn her account."

Two or three days after this bit of Howard's Miss Idlewild went down town to see Matthew in his office at the bank "on business," as she said demurely.

"Give the poor cripple a dime," she said in her absurd way.

"Certainly," said Matthew, with grave politeness, and he took a bright new dime out of a little roll of coins fresh from the mint and handed it to her. So she looked a little disconcerted and abandoned this method of attack.

"Matthew, I am bankrupt, insolvent, forced to make an assignment," she said in a plaintive, spoiled child tone. "I want some money—a lot of money, in fact—for a very special purpose. May I have it?"

"A lot?" repeated Matthew.

"Yes, that's it; at least a hundred."

Matthew looked grave. "What is the special purpose?" he inquired, fervently hoping she would tell him all about the proposed theater party.

"That's a secret," said Miss Idlewild, with an air of mystery.

"I cannot let you have any money just now, Eve," he said gently after a pause, and as he spoke he carefully avoided her eye and stared with rapt absorption at the carpet.

"Her face," comb[illegible] Miss Idlewild, "I object to your addressing me in that manner," he said with an effort.

"I beg your pardon, Matthew," she said, looking a little frightened. "It was only in fun."

Then he said: "You will take cold going back. I will send for a shawl." And he rang the bell as he spoke.

"I'm going to take you home now," he said, "and I want you to wear this. Let me put it around you."

"I won't have it!" she exclaimed excitedly, tears gathering in her eyes.

"Now, Evelyn," said Matthew gravely, "that is childish. It is a winter night. You have on an indoor dress. You must put on a wrap. And poor old Miss Patty and Howard are uneasy about you. Come, be reasonable."

"I will go home!" said Miss Idlewild in a trembling voice, "since you are so anxious to be rid of me. But I will not need either you or the shawl."

"You will nevertheless have both on this occasion," said Matthew sternly. "And I will not discuss the matter with you any longer."

So saying, he went up to her and put the shawl around her, whether she would or not. In trying to evade him she stumbled, and he caught her, shawl and all, in his arms.

Matthew always said he completely lost his head at this moment. He forgot himself—forgot everything but that the girl he loved was in his arms at last!

"Eve," he said desperately, holding her close and all his pent up man's soul breaking its bonds, "you know that I love you!" [illegible] Then he released her [illegible] with an expression on his face as [illegible] one expecting the heavens to fall. But instead of falling the heavens seemed to open their golden gates to Matthew, for Miss Idlewild, all swathed as she was like an Egyptian mummy, looked up at him with wet, laughing eyes.

"It took you a long time to make up your mind, Matthew," she said plaintively.—Buffalo News.

Charles Reade's Motto.

"I propose never to guess what I can know." This motto was rigidly adhered to by the author, whose love of accuracy was so great that he spared no pains to verify every statement he desired to make in any of his books, grudging no amount of labor which might be expended in the accomplishment of this result. He was an indefatigable collector of newspaper cuttings from all nations, which he carefully classified and arranged in large scrapbooks. [illegible] reports of inland institutions, police [illegible] and cases of trials and accidents [illegible] and many a plot or incident [illegible] were first suggested or invented by facts detailed in these cuttings. Miss [illegible]

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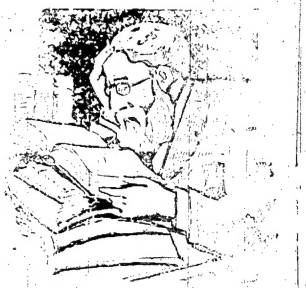

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Your element; there only can ye shine,
There only minds like yours can do no harm.
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The moonbeam, sliding softly in between
The sleeping leaves, is all the light they wish,
Birds warbling all the music. We can spare
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Our softer satellite. Your songs confound
Our harmonious notes. The thrush departs,
Scared, and the offended nightingale is mute.
There is a public mischief in your mirth;
It plagues your country. Folly such as yours,
Graced with a sword and worthier of a fan,
Has made, which enemies could never have done,
Our arch of empire, steadfast but for you,
A mutilated structure soon to fall.

—William Cowper in "The Task."

The Yellow Tomatoes

And How They Gave Shape to an Engagement Ring.

When Dominicus Van Brunt first went to the public school in his adopted country, he had the felicity of sitting opposite a little girl with freckles and blue eyes. Her name was Bertha Manderson, which was a difficult name for Dominicus to remember. But it was not at all hard for him to remember the dear little girl with freckles. She wore tiny black tassels at the top of her shoes and white aprons, ruffled and tied upon the shoulders with large, airy looking bows, and the ends of her smooth braids were tied with ribbons now the color of the violet and now the color of the rose.

Dominicus said to himself that in Amsterdam he had never known any little girl so freckled and so dear.

"I wish she would look at me," thought little Dominicus Van Brunt. But he thought it in Dutch, although when he spoke aloud he managed to make himself understood in English. It must be confessed that little American children are too egotistical to be polite. Thinking as they do that they are modeled on the right pattern, they are inclined to regard all children differing from them as curiosities. They considered the round faced Dutch boy, with his shy ways and deferential manner to the teacher, a strange little fish indeed. And no one in all the school was more amused than the damsel Bertha, who looked at him covertly from her gray blue eyes. However, she did not laugh at him. So Dominicus, who did not know that she was amused and who perceived only her aspect of gravity, thought her kinder than the rest and was grateful. If only she would have spoken to him or looked at him as if she were his friend, he would have had nothing more to ask. He could even have been patient with that terrible English language which every one around him was jabbering.

He determined to do something to call the attention of his freckled heart's own to himself, and one day he hurried set down her basket and bag the rapture of eating cream tarts in her company!

But there was yet a prouder day in which Dominicus was permitted to return this social attention and was allowed to invite Bertha and three other friends to the snowy kitchen of his home back of the garden, where the mother of Dominicus sang beautiful songs to them in a language they could not understand and fed them with crullers and grape juice. Bertha thought she had never seen any room so charming as this kitchen, with its racks of blue plates, its shining pans and its illuminated mottoes upon the wall.

Bertha was not more than 12 when she was sent to a private school, and as the years went by she saw people of quite a different sort from Dominicus and his father and mother and ought, probably, to have forgotten all about them. But it is an undeniable fact, though it may have shown some evidences of vulgarity in her nature, that all the years that she was occupied with other matters, such as boarding school and summer resorts and "coming out" and the gayeties of a winter in the city, she remembered that curious kitchen and the people who lived in it and wondered where they had gone, for it had happened that one autumn, after returning from the seashore, Bertha had discovered that the house back of the garden was empty. It had been a sad moment for her. She had felt the tears come to her eyes as she looked at the untidy piece of ground where the exquisitely kept garden of Jacob Van Brunt had been, and the windows from which the round face of her friend had often smiled at her repulsed her now with their bareness.

It happened that in course of time Bertha had a notion to go abroad, and, having the consciousness of her certificate of graduation in her trunk, she was in no haste to return to her home. So she lingered where she pleased, arrogantly directing the movements of her party, which consisted of a maiden aunt and an elderly second cousin. With this double chaperonage she was allowed to do almost anything she pleased.

At length they reached Amsterdam, making headquarters for themselves there and planning to go upon many excursions through the country. It was natural enough that, having a local habitation, they should make some friends in the city, and so it came about that before they had been there long they were invited to dinner by an American lady, Mrs. Truax, whose husband was engaged in some mercantile enterprise there.

The Truax house was a cosmopolitan one, and at it the habitue expected to meet all manner of celebrities and human curios. Bertha, much elated at the prospect, whirled off, accompanied by her decorous relatives, arrayed for the occasion in the most unbecoming of their best silks.

"What dear old frumps they are," Bertha commented to herself. "I think the Amsterdam ladies will like them. They just suit this background."

They seemed to indeed and got on better than Bertha, whose youth condemned her to a subordinate place. stood by her sex she remained in it but a short time, hastening away to other points of interest. It is also certain that about the time of her departure a young landscape gardener ran to yews and weeping willows in his designs and accepted with alacrity the opportunity of designing a cemetery for some new American town. But he recovered from his gloom when there reached him from the shores of the Baltic a trinket fashioned of lucent amber, shaped like a yellow tomato. It occurred to him that he ought also to visit the storied beaches of the Baltic, and he did so without an hour's unnecessary delay.

And the consequence was, as the children say when they play the old game, that when Miss Bertha Manderson returned to America she wore for an engagement ring a tomato shaped topaz on her third finger.—Exchange.

The Wires Were Crossed.

Hotel Man (who thinks he is calling down his butcher)—Say, I am shy a heart and a liver, eight ribs and a shoulder. Now I want 'em right away.

Railway Office (which has been connected by mistake)—Sorry, sir, but the wreck has been cleared up.—Baltimore American.

Good Feeders.

A hostess of the west end, Washington, who proposed giving a dinner to some doctors visiting a convention in town said to the caterer when she had finished with her order:

"Now, Mr. X., I trust you will make this dinner as fine as possible, for my guests come from all over the country, and I want them to see how well we do things at the capital."

"Is it the doctors you're going to entertain, then?" asked the caterer.

"Yes," responded the hostess. "I have invited a number of the doctors."

"Give me my list, then," said the caterer, and he forthwith proceeded to increase the quantity of everything upon the menu and to nearly double the amount of wine.

"What do you mean by that?" asked the patron. "Why have you increased the quantity of everything so materially?"

"I was all right at first for the ordinary guest, madam," said the caterer, with an ex cathedra air, "but them sawbones does eat and does drink—they does eat and drink. Their trade seems to give 'em an appetite."—Exchange.

The Poisonous Pineapple.

"It is a notorious fact," says The National Druggist, "that the pineapple is considered the least healthy of all the edible fruits of the tropics by those who know anything of the matter. The juice of the green and growing plant is credited in Java, the Philippines and throughout the far east generally with being a blood poison of a most deadly nature. It is said to be the substance with which the Malays poison their krishes and daggers and is also credited with being the 'finger nail poison' formerly in use among aboriginal Javanese women almost universally. These women formerly (or some thirty odd years ago), and possibly do yet, cultivated a nail, sometimes three, on

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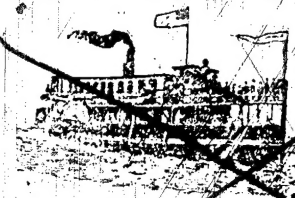

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He determined to do something to call the attention of his freckled heart's own to himself, and one day he hurried into the schoolroom the first minute the doors were opened and laid three pear shaped yellow tomatoes on her desk. The scholars came, saw the pretty vegetables, and had little trouble in deciding from what source the tribute came. For who else in a fashionable suburb would have yellow tomatoes, except the son of the Dutch gardener? The school indulged in unrestrained giggling, but Bertha, instead of participating, shot defiance from her gray blue eyes, and, turning with an adorable smile toward Dominicus, carefully fitted one of the yellow tomatoes into her red mouth and devoured it in the same spirit in which a loyal subject drinks to his king. It was evident that Dominicus had been right. Bertha was different from the others. His happiness stained the boy's amiable face scarlet, and while the other boys leered at him, a number of them felt a distinct pang of jealousy. They were quite alive to the extraordinary favor which had been shown him.

From that day on Bertha, the daughter of a prosperous lawyer and a little mad of distinctly conscious of her social opportunities, and Dominicus, the son of the man who raised garden truck, were friends. There came a day when Bertha, having reached the proud age of 10, gave a birthday party on her father's lawn, and insisted on having Dominicus among her guests—a famous day for Dominicus, in which he was the princess in all the glory of her [illegible] frock, with her [illegible] criding

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What dear old frumps they are," Bertha commented to herself. "I think the Amsterdam ladies will like them. They just suit this background."

They seemed to indeed and got on better than Bertha, whose youth condemned her to a subordinate place. This was not as it was in America. Bertha reflected and permitted herself to indulge in a moment of homesickness as she sat apart, her glowing beauty unnoticed by the middle aged people who were paying their respects to her aunt and her second cousin.

"I have delayed for a moment for another guest," Mrs. Truax said. "I wished to present to your niece, Miss Manderson," she said, addressing Bertha's aunt, "a young man who is half an American. Ah, there is the bell now."

The man at the door announced a moment later:

"Herr Van Brunt."

Bertha turned with an anticipation which she endeavored to subdue. It was not likely that the son of a gardener would be at the home of Mrs. Truax. But in the young man who entered Bertha saw with unmistakable recognition the amiable, soft eyes, the round face and high brow and quiet, kindly manners of her old friend, borne with the assurance and ease that come of self confidence.

The hostess managed to whisper to Bertha's aunt, and of course Bertha overheard:

"This young man has distinguished himself in landscape gardening. He has just laid out a park for Prince Zagenwell and is much thought of both in Holland and Germany. I hear that the Duke of York is likely to send for him for his new place in Scotland."

Dominicus Van Brunt saluted his hostess with a profound bow. How well Bertha remembered that quaint reverence of manner! He was presented to the guests and at last was led up to Bertha, who suddenly felt as if she were in short frocks, with freckles on her face and braids down her back. He started and flushed and then held out his hand in the good American way, regardless of ceremony.

"What, you are acquainted!" cried the hostess. They explained. The hostess turned in some perplexity to the spinster aunt. She wondered if she had unintentionally committed an indiscretion. But there was no annoyance in the face of the elder Miss Manderson, and the hostess felt at liberty to permit the two young people to go down to dinner together.

The conversation at dinner would not be particularly interesting to recount. But Bertha remembered every word of it. Perhaps Dominicus Van Brunt did too—but it has been impossible to secure his confidence. It is a certain thing, however, that the next day a basket came for the young American lady containing a dozen yellow tomatoes, dropped like eggs in a nest of white daisies. Which was, surely, a curious gift!

Now it is undeniable that Bertha Manderson found Amsterdam interesting, yet for some reason best understood with which the Malays poison their krishes and daggers and is also credited with being the 'finger nail poison' formerly in use among aboriginal Javanese women almost universally. These women formerly (or some thirty odd years ago), and possibly do yet, cultivated a nail, sometimes more, on each hand, to a long, sharp point, and the least scratch from one of these was certain death."

She Was Ready.

He (describing his journeyings)—Then, leaving Gibraltar, I made my way to Australia, and from there I went to the diamond mines in South Africa, where I made my fortune. Then—do you follow me, Miss Cryptkle?

She (with a vivid blush)—To the world's end, Mr. Rocksworthy!—Chicago Tribune.

Where the Blame Lies.

"No woman," he said in his superior masculine way, "can sharpen a lead pencil."

"Well," she said, "do you know where the blame lies?"

"No. Where?"

"With the pencil, of course. Woman was invented first, wasn't she?"—Chicago Post.

Genuine Optimism.

The Pessimist—That waiter is awfully slow with those cheese sandwiches.

The Optimist—Oh, never mind. The longer we wait the better grows the cheese.

An English actor who died on the road was shipped in his coffin to London recently by his manager as "theatrical properties." This cost $4, whereas if he had gone as a corpse the cost would have been $60.

Plenty of Them.

Romantic Tourist—I suppose you have no interesting old ruins in this neighborhood?

Villager—No ruins? Great Scott, mister! I can show you more'n two dozen buildin's in this county that used to be creameries in the old days 'fore the trusts.

At First Sight.

"Do you believe in love at first sight?" she asked.

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Birds and "Old" Co'ns.

A French physician lately had an opportunity to observe a pointe de Paris which had been lying for several days in the stomach of a child and found that the gastric juice had acted upon the smallest particles of the article, blunting the blade and point and giving the medal a brown color. In this manner might be explained the process used in Italy to produce old coins and medals. Large birds are made to swallow roughly stamped coins with the image of Tiberius or Caligula. After awhile the animals give off again the coins, upon which meanwhile an appreciable layer of patina has formed. This result is apparently due to the action of the gastric juices.—Jeweler's Circular-Weekly.

His Musical Sense.

"What is your favorite opera?" asked the foreign gentleman.

Mr. Cumrox was about to answer "The Mikado," when he observed that the eyes of his wife and daughter were upon him. Then he assumed an air of nonchalance and answered:

"Oh, I don't care particular about the names of cigars or the titles of operas. I like to change around. I just tell 'em to give me a 25 cent cigar when I feel like smoking, and when I want music I enjoy any old $5 a seat opera."—Washington Star.

The Next Best Thing.

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High Court of Justice.

The postponed spring sittings of the High Court of Justice opened Monday, September 17, before His Lordship Mr. Justice Robertson.

At the opening of the court His Lordship explained to the grand jury the reasons which induced the authorities to postpone the court to this date, giving as the reasons the prevalence of smallpox at Port Arthur and Fort William. It not being considered safe to draw so many people in towns where there was danger of spreading the disease.

The following were the members of the grand jury: J. R. Bunn, foreman; L. T. Waddingham, M. C. Cassidy, C. E. Neads, W. A. Weir, W. Schwartz, Jas. Sharp, A. H. Horn, W. G. Cameron, G. H. Kelly, Alex. Stephens, R. A. Mather.

Following is the presentment of the Grand Jury:

To the Honorable Mr. Justice Robertson of the High Court of Justice:

Sir, We, your Grand Jurors, in making our presentment, beg to congragulate your Lordship on the comparative absence of serious criminal offences in this large and rapidly growing district.

We have, in the discharge of our duties, visited the court house and goal premises, the registry offices and Royal Jubilee Hospital, and we find all these premises well kept and clean.

We would respectfully recommend that the court room should be better lighted for night sessions. We find also that the cells need to be thoroughly overhauled and strengthened to prevent the possibility of goal breaking, and also that the judge's and jurors' rooms should have the walls freshened and papered. We find that the court house and goal premises are supplied with water from the waterworks, but that the sewerage arrangements are only partial, and beg to suggest a complete internal sewerage which would in our opinion be materially add to the sanitary condition of the premises.

Langford & Moran for plaintiffs; Boyce & Draper for defendants.

Beck v. Thornton—Action brought by plaintiff against Peter Thornton, a Scotch capitalist, to recover wages as superintendent of a certain mining location owned by defendant, and a counter claim by defendant to recover against plaintiff certain commission on sale of the property alleged to have been improperly received by the plaintiff. On motion of defendant trial of action postponed until sittings of District Court in October to be tried by His Honor Judge Chapple. W. Boston Towers for plaintiff: J. E. Bird for defendant.

Pickett v. Hamilton Powder Co. et al—Interpleader issue to determine which of several claimants entitled to a fund paid into court by the C. P. R. Co., in respect of a certain contract between the company and one W. B. McLelland for certain grading, the claimants being creditors of McLelland. Trial of issue adjourned to be heard before His Honor Judge Chapple at the October sittings of the District court. T.R. Ferguson for plaintiff; H. Langford and W. F. Towers for other claimants.

McDonald vs. Hennessy—Action brought to recover share of commission on sale of mining location. Action tried and judgment reserved. Langford & Moran for plaintiff: Boyce & Draper for defendants.

Maeville vs. Wilkinson
Maeville vs. Regina M'g Co / Actions brought by plaintiff against defendants to recover wages. The principal dispute was as to the amount of wages agreed to be paid each month. Cases partly tried and referred to His Honor Judge Chapple to take accounts.—Boyce & Draper, for plaintiff; Langford & Moran, for defendants.

Breidenback vs. Toronto and Western Mining Co.—Action to recover wages as manager and counter claim for once drawing amount payable. Action postponed. Boyce & Draper for plaintiff: J. E. Bird for defendant.

Anderson vs. Mikado Mine.—Action brought by the widow for the loss of her husband at the Mikado mine. The accident was caused by a long drill which was being brought to the surface in the "cage" for the purpose of being sharpened catching in one of the wall plates throwing the deceased Anderson over the cage and against the wall of the shaft and breaking his back. The plaintiff alleges negligence on part of defendants in not having protection around the cage and not having walls of shaft in proper shape. Defendants on other hand contend that deceased was forbidden to ride up and down in cage which was only intended for carrying ore. Action tried and judgment reserved. Clute, Q. C., and Boyce for plaintiff: Langford & Moran for defendants.

Queen vs. Hall and Fisher. The

His Own Trap.

There is a young man in the pension office who is buying a house on the installment plan at a town somewhere between this city and Baltimore, and his dear little wife lives out there. It is his wont to come in early of a morning and to go out again on the 5:30 train when his day's work is done. A few days ago he met an old friend from Chicago, and, yielding to the entreaties of that old friend, he decided to spend the evening in town. He was so afraid wife would feel hurt if she knew that he had deliberately planned an evening's good time without counting her in that he manfully resolved to deceive her. Accordingly as he came away from the office he went to a telegraph office and sent this message to her:

"Unavoidably detained. Missed 5:30 train. Will be out later."

It was a great deal later when he reached his happy home. Wife met him at the door, and there was a look in her eye that every married man learns to know and instinctively to dread.

"Did you get my message precious?" he asked as he kissed her tenderly, holding his breath meanwhile as a precautionary measure.

"Yes, dear," she made answer, and when a woman calls her husband "dear" that way you can cut loose from the weather bureau and prognosticate a few things on your own hook. "Yes, dear, I received your message. Here it is."

There it was, sure enough. It was marked as plain as plain could be, "Received at 4:23." He hadn't thought of that.

Nature as an Armorer.

There are few departments of human life where man has been so entirely anticipated and at the same time surpassed by the lower animals as in the invention of armor.

His cunningest devices of the mailed fist order were none of them original. If you examine a fine and fully developed suit of plate armor in the form which it assumed at its highest zenith in the fifteenth century, you will find that the trunk and limbs were completely inclosed in a splendid fitting, jointed case of iron plates, all exquisitely polished. The suit as a whole was a triumphant product of the armorer's art.

Yet if you look at a lobster's tail you will see at a glance that all these clever devices of man's imagining had been invented and patented long before by nature and that the elaborate workmanship of the Plantagenet craftsmen who cased knight and horse for the battlefield or the tournament in glistening metal was but a poor imitation of the ineffable skill with which the unheeded crustaceans of the time protected every vulnerable portion of their bodies from [illegible] and [illegible] attacks of their [illegible]—Strand Magazine.

An Old Sea Dog's Stories.

The captain [illegible] disliked by his [illegible] with yellow [illegible] first lieutenant [illegible] to drill them in the [illegible] over the [illegible]

Popular Wants.

$10 REWARD—Lost in the vicinity of the Hilliard House, Monday, the 17th inst., about 6 p.m., a purse containing a $10 bill and memorandum of value only to the owner. The above reward will be paid for the return of purse and contents to this office or information that will lead to its recovery.

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with water from the waterworks, but that the sewerage arrangements are only partial, and beg to suggest a complete internal sewerage which would in our opinion materially add to the comfort and sanitary condition of these premises.

At present we find confined in the goal eleven male prisoners. This number exceeds the present premises, and as we find that several of these prisoners have been tried and sentenced to terms in the central prison, the retention of these after sentence continues this overcrowded condition unduly and we recommend that prisoners should be more expeditiously removed after sentence.

We have visited the registry offices and find these premises entirely inadequate to the needs of this district, and that the building is not situated in the most convenient place in the best interests of public business, and we beg to recommend that these premises should be remodelled in a manner to meet more adequately the great and growing needs of this district.

We have visited the Royal Jubilee Hospital and find these premises well kept and clean, but very much overcrowded at present. There are seventeen patients being cared for now and this number is seriously overcrowding the premises so as to compel the nurses to sleep and live in the basement quarters which are not well ventilated or healthy, and we should strongly recommend that substantial monetary assistance should be granted to this very worthy institution which at present endeavors to meet the many needs of this large district — a very great disadvantage owing to lack of funds.

We wish to say that we are entirely in accord with the remarks you made with reference to the war in South Africa and particularly with reference to the noble part Canada and her sons have taken in upholding the honor of the empire, and we endorse his presentment by endorsing your remark "God save the Queen." All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN B. BUNN,
Foreman.

[illegible] 18, 1900.

[illegible] were two women and seven [illegible] charged with [illegible] Assize. "How was Dr. Crippen arrested, Mamma?" "By the detectives, dear." "Did they [illegible] the parrot or [illegible] killed while [illegible] the safe, allowing to the basket breaking away. Owing to the absence of a material witness on behalf of the plaintiff action was postponed to the assizes to be held in December next.

[illegible] funded for carrying out. Action tried and judgment reserved. Clute, Q.C., and Boyce for plaintiff. Langford & Morson for defendants.

Queen vs. Bull and Fisher. The prisoners were placed on trial charged with theft from Louis Pabst, bartender at the Opera House hotel. Mr. Pabst occupies a room in the Hilliard house, and one morning upon going into his room found his trunk had been burst open and a number of old coins extracted therefrom. Information was given to the police who found some of the coins at one of the sporting houses. These coins having been identified by Pabst were traced to the recent possession of the prisoners who were thereupon arrested. The jury convicted Fisher, but found Bull not guilty. Clute, Q.C., for Crown; T. P. Ferguson for prisoners.

Queen vs. Spense. The prisoner, an elderly man, was charged with breaking into the summer cottage of Mr. Bryan, of Winnipeg, on Coney Island, for the purpose of committing theft. Upon the trial it was shown that Spense was intoxicated and while crossing the lake toward Coney Island in a canoe upset and was rescued. Being very cold he sought refuge in the cottage in question and covered himself with a mattress. He was discovered under the mattress by the police who arrested him with clubs. Sunday was the next day. Both parties occupied the church, and there were great music and singing. Afterward the Congregationalists bought out the Universalists, and there was no more trouble."

Birth.

On September 2th, 1900, to Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Deacon, a daughter.

We cannot tell with any certainty when the first portable furniture was invented, and, to judge by the ark as it survives among our children, Noah was either ignorant of such things or, and more probably, denied himself their use for the time being in order to leave more room for the animals.

But long before Cowper somewhat apologetically sang the sofa Homer was proud to enumerate the cherished and decorated pieces of furniture in the tents of the heroes before Troy and described Ody sus' pleasure in seeing once more his own beautiful [illegible] sympathetic. By as any other [illegible] Sheraton, would [illegible] his [illegible] best [illegible] is one of the [illegible] know re- [illegible] lack of [illegible] and [illegible] be care- A bed was a bed then. In Greece, a couch worthy of a hero; in England, a miniature stage of life, with its tapestried roof and hangings and curtains that rose or fell with fitting pomp on the great scenes of the domestic drama.—Chambers' Journal.

Explained.

"Maw, what's de difference between er politician and er statesman?"

"Well, honey, a mushroom's good, ain't it?"

"Yes," um."

"And a toadstool is pizen, ain't it?"

"Yes, 'um."

"And dey bof look alike?"

"Yes, 'um."

"Des same difference 'twix'a statesman to a politician."

A Hustler.

This is the letterhead of an Iowa law yer:

[illegible] LAWYER.

Practices in all courts on the western bend [illegible] Portage [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] Mo[illegible] [illegible] Attorney [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

CHINESE TROUBLES.

A Missionary Entrance and Exodus—Interesting Address by Rev. Mr. McKenzie in Knox Church

On Tuesday evening of last week Rev. Mr. McKenzie (a returned missionary of the Presbyterian church of Canada) gave a very interesting address on the Chinese trouble. At the present time when the Chinese problem is dominant in our thoughts, the question of Chinese missions becomes increasingly important. Many have a disposition to attribute the whole trouble in China to what they are pleased to call the attempt to force our religion on China. Mr. McKenzie believes that all the civilizing, forces both secular and religious, are the cause of the trouble. The Chinese are as antagonistic to the trader as to the missionary, in fact to all innovations of whatever nature. Following are the main points of Mr. McKenzie's interesting address:

It was the month of January in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-two. The place of meeting was the market town of Chu Wang, in the Province of Honan north central China. Six was the number of men present. They had been commissioned to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ to the Honanese, and are met for the first time, within the province to take counsel together as to the carrying on of their work. Houses have already been secured, evangelistic and medical work is in progress at two centres, three or four persons give evidence of genuine interest in the gospel, and there are openings presented to the messengers of Christ in several villages. That was a day of small things, but a beginning had been made, and with faith in and love to Christ and the Honanese, looking heaven above and encouraging indications on every hand, the company of Christian workers turned on an expression of gratitude to God, and sought to be fitted by Him for carrying on the work before them. They are pioneer workers. Much has to be learned, and not a little unlearned, before they can hope to labor wisely and successfully. The God Whom they serve, has wisdom to direct and strength to sustain, the reason. Who has redeemed them, has power in heaven and in earth; His heart is full of compassion for His own; His faithfulness, and He waits to guide and redeem, to enlighten and to guide.

Seven years have come and gone. It is now January nineteen hundred and [illegible] has rather than provoke the opposition of the ungodly. The growing fraternal spirit in the different Christian communities, and the practical forms in which it was expressed, encouraged the Christian pastors. Years ago they had the joy of introducing the gospel of grace and kindness among the people; now they see in Honan men fitted mentally and spiritually to be called to give their whole time to preaching it to their fellow countrymen. As the work is growing new workers must be invited to join those in the field. Increased accommodation is called for. Opportunities are abundant and immediate advantage must be taken of them. The doors now open may not long remain ajar and with so many auspicious signs the work of the year is joyfully undertaken:

A casual visitor to the mission station in the Chu Wang in May last would be impressed with the manifest proofs of Christian enterprise. Here are from 60 to 70 workmen engaged in erecting a house for one of the missionaries. A few hundred yards distant from these are about half that number building hospital wards for the steadily continuing stream of patients. In the street chapel may be seen the newly appointed native helpers busily engaged in presenting Christian truth to the attention of scores of hearers. The lady physician is in yonder dispensary ministering in Christ's name to her suffering heathen sisters. On the opposite side of the road from her quarters may be seen daily large numbers of men waiting on the skilful treatment of the beloved male physician. Today a Christian lady, accompanied by her Chinese sister, goes out to her daily round of visits to the heathen homes; tomorrow you may see the missionary pastor with his native assistant going out to seek for the lost sheep who have not yet heard the good Shepherd's voice. The work is urgent. The testing heat of a Chinese summer is beginning to be felt, and in a short time the more active duties of the Christian worker will have to be for a time abandoned. The laborers are occasionally wearied in the work; they are at no time wearied of it. They are daily walking in the footsteps of Him Who many centuries ago gave the abiding example of, and enduring incentive to all evangelistic activity: "They are barely in Him and in their service for powers. Leave at once." Such was in brief the startling news reaching us by successive messengers. On the day following the receipt of first telegram we had the first muttering of the coming storm in Chu Wang.

Rain had not fallen in that region for ten months. Food was already scarce and prices high. Famine was inevitable. The people became reckless, and readily credited any story, however absurd. While sitting at noonday meal on June 14th, a slight shower of rain fell. A Chinese woman happened to be just then cleaning a window in the newly built house. The rain suddenly stopped and at once we heard an uproar outside our yard. "The foreign devils have used some magical formula to stop the rain." Such was the story in the street. In an hour or two a crowd of 800 or 900 persons assembled. The missionaries went out to meet them. They enquired the reason for such a gathering and wished to know what had occassioned our neighbors to assume such a hostile attitude. Like the mob in ancient Ephesus, "the assembly was confused: and the more part knew not wherefore they were come together." Friendly men in town appealed to them. There was no leader to direct their movements and in a short time they dispersed. Distorted accounts of the uprising near Pekin soon reached the town, and each story retailed helped to prepare the people for an assault on the station. Our work soon came to a standstill and it became necessary to appeal to the local magistrate for an armed guard.

A day was fixed for our destruction, and reports went out that we were all massacred. This brought in the Chinese Christians from all directions and they offered to stand by us and share in whatever fate awaited us. As the hostility was displayed against us only we advised them all to return home and pursue their callings as usual. For ten days we cherished the hope that the fury of the storm would soon be spent. In this we were disappointed. The rumors from the north still continued to pour in, the anti-foreign party in town took up a most malicious crusade against us, and an attack on our station was planned and partly carried out. We could see no good purpose to be served by staying, and so resolved on leaving our homes and earthly belongings behind, and fleeing to the nearest city of refuge. Taking with us what goods we thought necessary for the journey, we left Chu Wang on June 27th, and reached the prefectural city of Chang Te Fu, 30 miles distant, that night. It is necessary to pass through such an experience to understand aright the anguish which wring our hearts. The most courageous would not want a repetition of it. There was contempt and hatred on the part of our foes, the utmost devotion and kindness shown in one procession, so we decide to go as two companies and keep in touch with each other by the way. We have travelled seven days when we meet the first mission station: husband, wife and child are its staff, and news from Pekin is slow in reaching them. Springless carts, cantankerous carters and obstinate mules did not cheer our hearts by day, and there was little to encourage in the curious crowds, mercenary innkeepers and comfortless inns which we met each night. Men can endure such things; they try even sorely our gentle Christian sisters, but the precious little children are those who suffer severely. The civilization that will provide good roads, restful inns, edible food, and water which can be drunk without anxiety, is much needed in China.

On the eleventh day of our journey we reach the town of Hsin Tien. We are scarcely seated in our inns when word is brought that an armed band in town will soon pay us a visit and demand our silver. Our carters inform us that they will proceed no farther. The engineers have gone ahead to the prefectural city ten miles distant, and we are not prepared to resist an armed onslaught. A messenger is sent to the engineers and the answer comes that the prefect and brigadier-general refuse an interview, no escort can be sent to us, the country is ablaze with anti-foreign sentiments, and we must do whatever is possible for us in our then position. Fortunately our carters have come to terms with us and they are willing to proceed. Three of our number armed with revolvers have watched the gates during the night, and all are in readiness for resuming our journey. We are in God's hands. His words cheer our hearts and in fullest confidence we call on Him in prayer, and anew surrender ourselves to Him. As we come out on the street we find progress extremely difficult on account of the dense mass of people. Between eight and ten thousand persons have left their homes to witness the departure of the "foreign devils." Not one in that multitude gives a hint of what is in store for us. Once fairly outside the town we are at the mercy of our enemies. A shout is heard, followed immediately by a shower of stones, brickbats and clods. The drivers seek to rush the animals and the robbers attack and cut the poor brutes frightfully. To move forward is now impossible. Four of the mules are dead. The armed gang, numbering from 80 to 100, now proceed with their skilfully planned assault. There is no time for organizing in defense. Each cart has its own band of heartless robbers bent, it would seem, on destroying its occupants and filching their goods.

One of our number received on the back of the neck a sword stroke which cavalry. Word has gone ahead to the prefectural city, hence the arrival of the horsemen. The leader utters but a few sentences when it is apparent that he is hostile. The wounded man in the guard house seems to have moved even his heart to compassion, but he does nothing to render assistance. The carters come on the scene at this stage and in a short time our party is again complete. The cavalry leader commands the carters to proceed with us to Nan Nang Fu, yet several miles ahead, and once we are fairly started he and his band ride and preparing for the second part of our journey, which took us ten days in Chinese houseboats. A Chinese gunboat accompanied us, with armed escort on board, and on the 21st of July we reached Hau Kow, where we took steamer for Shanghai, arriving there three days afterwards. There the news from Pekin and other centres saddened and stunned us. We had been delivered. Hundreds of others were still enclosed in death traps, or already massacred. If there is a band of men and women on earth today who till life's [illegible] hour should bless the Lord [illegible]

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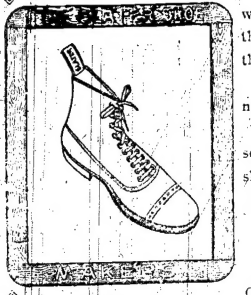

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Eight years have come and gone. It is now January nineteen hundred. The Province of Honan meets in the ... being the last year of the ... century, the members review the ... decade and have cause to ... God and take courage. The ... and stores have been retained ... station has also been opened in ... important prefectual city. Work ... been carried on without intermission from year to year. The gospel ... been made known to multitudes ... people in the highways and by-... at the mission centres as well as ... the great idolatrous festivals, in ... hundreds of villages and in many ... walled cities, to all sorts and conditions of men and women. Tens of ... thousands of patients have been treated ... in the mission dispensaries, carefully dealt with in the hospitals, and sent back to their homes in health and ... Thousands of portions of the Word of God have been distributed ... among the people, and Christian ... in large quantities are to be found ... many homes scattered throughout North Honan. The foundations of the Church of Christ have been securely laid. The living stones ... that building are in course of being ... gathered from among the people and ... Many who were idolaters ... through the work begun are now ... brethren in Christ Jesus. The Christians ... give evidence of steady growth in ... grace and in knowledge of their Saviour and Lord. The catechumen's roll contains the names of scores of those who are willing to become learners in Christ's school. Not a few, who had brought forth some graces of Christian character in their lives, and had remained faithful to the end, passed hence into God's more immediate presence to take part in the higher service of the ransomed in paradise. There ... been much seed sowing and the indications point to an abundant har... Shall not Gods servants be ... Many formidable obstacles ... already overcome and colossal ... have disappeared. Christ ... determined to... A spirit of ... has been ... The ... when poised un... in the presence of some ... The ... has ... to work ... toil. ... has been ... Converts were ... established to avoid an appeal to the civil magistrate for the settlement of their disputes, and urged to endure ...

...suffering. The laborers are occasionally wearied in the work: they are at no time wearied of it. They are daily walking in the footsteps of Him Who many centuries ago gave the abiding example of, and enduring incentive to all evangelistic activity. They are happy in Him and in their service for Him.

A change now passes over this mission centre. On June 4th, five of the workers, with five children, leave by Chinese houseboat for the seaside, to enjoy, as they think, rest for a while, and have the privilege of association with brother and sister workers from other districts. While these are leaving, for the north a recently married couple depart for the south, purposing to spend the summer in the interior. The young bride had lived at a station in the neighboring province which had been attacked and looted by a band of robbers some years before. She is encouraged by her husband to believe that there is no danger of such an experience in Honan. When distant from their destination about two days' journey an organized band of plunderers made an attack on their boat; the messenger of peace has occasion to assume the attitude of a fighter, and only through the timely arrival of some friendly natives, and a band of soldiers, are they out of danger and able to proceed on their journey. A few days later three engineers, in the employ of the Pekin syndicate, encounter an organized gang of robbers in the same region, and for a time the contest seems a doubtful one. Their Chinese escort defends them courageously and they succeed in scattering the assailants. These attacks occurred within 20 miles of the mission station. Word was then brought to us that a robber rendezvous existed four miles away from which bands sallied forth bent on plundering. It was rumored ... that one or two members of the company who had left for the seaside had been captured by armed robbers, subjected to brutal treatment, and killed.

Our mail failed to arrive as usual, and thus we had no communication from the outside world. Many weird stories were soon in circulation and we had no facts to enable us either to confirm or contradict these. Our suspense was little relieved by the arrival of a telegram from the nearest mission station, eighty miles to the northeast, on June 16th, "Critical situation in Pekin. Great Boxer uprising. Martyrs and soldiers sent to defend legations. Tientsin in danger. Your workers safe in American Board station in Pang Chiang. Consuls advise all in the interior to escape south. Taku forts bombarded by the foreign ... Te Fu, 30 miles distant, that night. It is necessary to pass through such an experience to understand aright the anguish which wring our hearts. The most courageous would not want a repetition of it. There was contempt and hatred on the part of our foes, the utmost devotion and kindness shown by the Christians, and the peace of God possessing our hearts as we took our sad farewell. Conflicting emotions arose as we thought on the past and looked around us; calmness and confidence came as we looked above to God our Father.

The mission yard at Chang Te Fu presented a strange spectacle next morning. Ten carts stand ready for the members of the two mission stations. Eleven adults and five children look forward to the city of Hankow, or of Shanghai, as their destination. The Chinese hot season has arrived and the rain may fall in torrents before we reach a haven of rest. If any one in that company felt disposed to be despondent the Christian spirit manifested by the converts, old and young, could not fail to re-assure them. There they stood, the first fruits of North Honan to Christ, parting with their spiritual guides, and no one able to forecast what the future had in store. The bugles are blown, the escort responds, the gate is opened, and we enter on the first stage of our journey. It is yet early morning, but hundreds of persons come out to see the strange procession. Dumb surprise seemed to be the prevailing sentiment in the city which had been the scene of so many stirring incidents during the past five years. We are only a short way on our journey when large numbers of soldiers meet us going north. They are on the way to meet those they regard as their country's foes: we are compelled for the time being to admit that circumstances make flight expedient. Our Master commanded His disciples when persecuted in one city to flee to another. The door of opportunity has closed and the Lord Who opened it is leading His servants elsewhere.

Pursuing our journey we pass through cities, towns and villages; we see many thousands of Honanese who are strangers to their God and destitute of Heaven's peace and hope. Most gladly would we stay among them, but this is not the time to evangelize them.

While crossing the Yellow river we came in sight of the engineers who were attacked some weeks earlier, accompanied by the recently married couple who had experienced such rough treatment at the hands of the robbers, and the family with which they had hoped to spend the summer. Twenty-five carts are too many to go ... cart has its own band of heartless robbers behi, it would seem, on destroying its occupants and filching their goods.

One of our number received on the back of the neck a sword stroke which must have been meant to kill him. Another was soon struck in 15 places, the right wrist and knee, having cords and tendons severed. The muscular missionary of the party has a great sword gash made on his forehead and left hand, and the writer was struck on the head, nose, right hand and leg. One of the gentlemen escape untouched. A lady warded off successfully several blows aimed at her. The remaining members of the party saw what was happening and awaited the result with calmness and hope. While one set of men were murderously attacking in front, another in the rear was cutting the ropes so as to secure all our goods. In this way relief came. The two bands, seeing the missionaries get off the carts, made for the stuff, and left off their cruel and cowardly onslaught. While the carts are being robbed, the mission party, separated into three bands, manage to leave the field. Nine out of the ten carts remain behind. Two of the three small bands proceed on their way unmolested, but the third meets a fresh band of plunderers, and these at once demand the surrender of all articles on our persons. Watches, chains, rings, and many small trinkets are at once handed over and we are now left minus all we had in our possession. In leaving the field we got separated and the first thing to be done is to discover where our friends have gone for refuge. A friendly Mohammedan took in one family, with the exception of a child which was in charge of an unmarried lady. The tenth cart is in front with our brave young doctor, as we fear bleeding to death. There is a medical lady in the party who does for him all that lies in her power, but medicines, bandages and instruments have all been stolen. We enter a village but are compelled to move on. There is no friendly voice raised in our behalf. It is with the greatest difficulty that we succeed in securing even a small pitcher of water. Our carter now resolves to return and look up his comrades. Persuasion is in vain. He has determined to leave us. Our severely wounded doctor is laid in a small hut of a guard house by the roadside, and all hope of escape has fled. A darker hour had never passed over us, yet peace and calmness possessed our souls. When pleading in vain with the people for assistance in some form, a band of horsemen rides up. They are Chinese ... but he does nothing to render assistance. The carters come on the scene at this stage and in a short time our party is again complete. The cavalry leader commands the carters to proceed with us to Nan Yang Fu, yet several miles ahead, and once we are fairly started he and his band ride rapidly away from us. On arriving in the city we are met by thousands of persons again. The inn yard is densely packed with human beings. For a time we are not able to move freely even inside the inn. On every hand we hear remarks which suggest that our assassination next day must have been decided on by the officials. Here the district magistrate sent us a small sum of money and our cavalry leader informed us that it was necessary to start immediately. As darkness was then coming on, and we were exhausted from loss of blood and lack of food, we refused to proceed. Soon after midnight however we were on the road once more. In passing through the city two of our party got separated from the others and we were forced to go on without them. The escort left us early in the forenoon. But for the intervention of a courageous and kind-hearted Chinaman the Westerners whom we took with us would have forsaken us. Crowds of men rushed out from villages dotted along the plain and each company, small or large, insisted on stopping the animals, examining the carts and their occupants, and passing such remarks as seemed to them appropoiate. Our clothes were saturated with blood, the wounds were visible to all, and thus we were saved from fresh brutality. A dense throng came rushing to the inn where we were to stay for the night, but no violence was attempted. Our anxiety for the two members of our party left behind was relieved by news of their safety, which reached us in the afternoon, and at night they rejoined us. The magistrate in this town gave us a good escort, under a plucky, stalwart leader, and next day we passed from Honan province into Hupeh, thus ending our land journey, and entering too the territory of Chang Chih Tung, one of the fairest and firmest men found today among the ruling classes of China. The engineers had not been attacked as they were provided with a large and well armed escort, and had letters to all the leading Chinese magistrates by the way. On hearing of our plight they at once sent back a sum of money for our relief, and most generously put all they possessed at our disposal on our arrival in Fan Cheng on the Han river. One day was spent there cleaning and binding up the wounds inflicted in Hsin Tien, ... sadened and stunned us. We had been delivered. Hundreds of others were still enclosed in death traps, or already massacred. If there is a band of men and women on earth today who till life's latest hour should bless the Lord for a many-fold deliverance, it is the Honan missionaries.

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HER MEMORY

IT WHISPERED FOR YEARS.

From where he sat Professor Helfen could see beautiful, ever undulating stretches of green meadows, dotted with the darker green of the trees, and in the far distance the everlasting hills, majestically grand in the soft purple beauty of their vast rolling outline.

"Come back to Erin, mavourneen, mavourneen!" Joyously sweet and clear, nearer and nearer, came the voice. The professor sat motionless, listening with bated breath, lest he lose a syllable of that sweet old song, sung in that sweet young voice. As the voice ceased he looked out. Coming toward the house, balancing in either hand a foaming pail of milk, was a young girl. Even ere the song was finished a harsh, tired voice called sharply: "Come, Beth; don't yell so. You'll wake baby, and I've been an hour getting her to sleep. Hurry and set the table."

The professor grunted scornfully "Hum! Yelling, is it? The voice of an angel! Music; I escape it not even here. I'll wait and listen."

The world was two months older. Into the best parlor shone the afternoon sunshine, playing gleefully on walls that seemed to shrink from the unaccustomed glare. In one of the prim, straight backed chairs, at the front windows, sat Professor Helfen, while opposite at the other window sat a weary, sad faced woman, tearing idly at the red woolen curtain tassel that had never before been treated so roughly.

"My good woman, think! She has a fortune in her voice. She has a voice in a thousand—a gem. But it is in the rough. It needs polishing, years of it, and it must be polished gently. Then it will shine—oh, doch!"

Over in the corner a slim, dark eyed girl hung on these words. Oh, to see this world, to have the dreams she had dreamed come true! She found herself listening again.

"Yes, yes, she can go, but bring her back, bring her back. I've seven, but I can't spare her forever." Then somehow Beth found herself in her mother's arms, who for once in her life of habitual self control had given way. And so the ultimatum went forth. Beth was to go.

Out in the garden twilight was falling. The beautiful tender sky colors were slowly fading into the dusk of night. The very air, full of the scent of the hay, was a caress. The very peace of it seemed a mockery to Paul as he stood before her. How could everything be so serenely beautiful while he was tasting the bitterness of life? He could not put it into any fine phrases, this desolateness of his. He felt only that if this love should be taken out of his life the whole worth of his life was gone.

"You say you'll remember, Beth, but you won't—you won't. I know it as if years had already passed."

"Paul, Paul, I will remember. Why, I'll write you every week, and you must write me, and I'll tell you all about the people I meet, and you must tell me all about the farm and the cattle and the crops, and—and—"

"And then I went to the old orchard, Paul. It was just such a night as that one—the night you told me not to forget. I'm afraid the forgetfulness is yours, after all, Paul. Foolish, unworthy of answering though they may have been, those letters came right from my heart. Pshaw! That laughter made my eyes dim for a moment. But you tired of them after a year. I'm afraid the professor was disappointed in me for awhile. But I had my art, and art leaves no room for love. That's the lesson you told me not to learn. Yet for seven long years, day after day, it has been a part of my daily food. Yet 18 years is almost thrice seven, Paul, and habit is strong. I wonder where you are."

In breathless darkened silence the vast audience waited for the opening aria, to be sung by this unknown singer, whose fame, rumor had whispered, would become worldwide. Then into the living silence came a voice so daintily sweet and soft it seemed born of the air. Slowly it rose higher and stronger, like a bird that gathers strength in its upward flight, till, when it seemed almost too heavenly sweet for an earthly voice, into the sight of the breathless audience came the singer. A moment of absolute, dumb silence, then the very roof sent back its echo to swell the triumphant ovation. But as the singer bowed right and left her eyes fell and lingered on the tear stained, happy face of the woman in the front seat.

Only a man in the proscenium box sat motionless in all the excitement. So this was Bertha, this beautiful woman who moved these thousands at her pleasure. This was the Bertha who had stood in the old church, the sunlight powdering the dusky hair with gold as it streamed in the chancel window while she sang "Come Unto Me." Her voice was glorious now. But coming down through the silence of eight years the voice of his memory sounded infinitely sweeter. With the dream of a sunlight shining like opals through the trees, sparkling like jewels in the dusky hair, with the pure scent of God's own air and the unutterable peace of nature, the glare of light, the glimmer of real opals and jewels, the hot perfumed air, the ceaseless rustle of silks, seemed a sickening substitute.

They were all here to see her. All had an equal right to look at and listen to her—her who by rights should be his alone. Well, she had learned her lesson well. Rising like a mocking whisper above the din of sound he could hear the voice, "I shall never forget, Paul."

At the end of the third act, an act of triumph for the little unknown country girl, a note was handed her. She tore it nervously open. "You looked long at me more than once tonight. I knew then memory was whispering to you. Was it faithful, I wonder? Did it tell you all? Did it tell you where and when we last met? Did it repeat the words that were spoken then?" There was no signature.

It seemed ages to Paul before the curtain fell on the last act. Then he sent his card to the singer's dressing room. Would she see him? Yes, she would see him. Then he waited, waited, waited. Would she never come? Then the door opened and she stood before him, the same Bertha, only more beautiful, more queenly, more unapproachable.

"Bertha, Bertha, you have not forgotten?"

"No, Paul, I have not forgotten. Why should I? Why should you?"

"Bertha, I have been a fool, a madman, a brute. Can you forgive me?"

"Paul, I have nothing to forgive. I have been happy in my work. I have had my reward. Why should you not be happy in yours?"

"Bertha, I have been miserable. I have lived only in the memory of you. Bertha, I love you. Will you be my wife?"

"Paul, I am married. I have been married for seven years."

"Bertha, you are not married. You cannot be married. You are mine, mine, mine. You have always been mine. You will be mine."

"Paul, I am married. I have been married for seven years. I have a child, a little girl. Her name is Beth

as he stood before her. How could everything be so serenely beautiful while he was tasting the bitterness of life? He could not put it into any fine phrases, this desolateness of his. He felt only that if this love should be taken out of his life the whole worth of his life was gone.

"You say you'll remember, Beth, but you won't—you won't. I know it as if years had already passed."

Only a boy in years, yet a man's pain had aged the stern young face. The pain in his voice touched the girl looking up at him.

"I'll work hard, Beth. By fall I'm going to the city with Lawyer Boote. I heard the professor tell you you couldn't love; art had no room for love. Beth, don't let him teach you to forget me. When he gives you such lessons as that, let what I say now so sink in your mind that there will be room for nothing else. I love you, Beth, and some day you will be my wife. Perhaps if you hadn't been going away I should never have had the courage to tell you, at least for years. But I'm glad you know."

"Listen, Paul. I shall never forget. You know my nature too well to believe your own words. Forget you, with whom I have grown up, who have been the best part of my life? Ah, Paul, you know better. This is the hardest part of it Paul—to leave you. It seems but a dream yet that I am really going—going to see the world that has seemed to exist only in books. But the years will soon pass, Paul. We are both young, and no lesson he may try to teach me can blot out the teaching of 18 years of life and with such a teacher. You believe me, Paul?"

And Paul, looking in the soft depth of her soul's eyes, was content.

The two weeks of the opera had begun. A long line of carriages was drawn up before C—— hall, waiting to deposit their burdens—stately broughams, smacking of solid respectability, smart landaus with gayly caparisoned horses, while along the streets leading to the hall groups of fortune's less favored subjects moved quickly, meeting at last in front of the hall, where they joined the large, well groomed crowd pushing slowly up the steps to sit in judgment and perhaps ultimately to pay tribute to the new prima donna, Mlle. Armstrong, a daughter of their own land.

In the dressing room before a mirror stood a girl, still in the flush of youth, looking with unseeing eyes at the pale, proud face framed in masses of heavy black hair, in which diamonds gleamed like tears of fire.

"I suppose they'll all be there in the very front, a row of awestruck faces." She smiled as she thought of the six staring faces that had gazed strangely at her on her return home. "Would I have been like them, I wonder, with no taste of the glorious dishes with which the world tickles one's palate? Would I, too, have been content with their and my lot? Perhaps. Poor mother! She hardly dared touch me till I took her bodily in my arms. How horrified she was when I told her I had been on the stage! How she stammered

girl, a note was handed her. She tore it nervously open. "You looked long at me more than once tonight. I knew then memory was whispering to you. Was it faithful, I wonder? Did it tell you all? Did it tell you where and when we last met? Did it repeat the words that were spoken then?" There was no signature.

It seemed ages to Paul before the boy returned with an answer. He opened it slowly, yet with quick fingers. "Memory has been whispering eight long years, Paul. Can I then forget? Ah, 'tis you who forgot; all my foolish little letters unanswered. You were cruel, Paul. Didn't you hear me tell you my heartache in that last song? I was singing to you—not my fierce Italian lover. I'm alone after the opera in my dressing room." Like a flash he saw all; heard the professor's voice saying, "You can't love, child; art has no room for love." And the seven long years of silence grew shorter.

Paul knocked at the door the stage hand pointed out to him. He had evidently been expected.

"Who?" said a voice inside, answering his knock. "I—Paul!" And the door slowly opened.—Chicago News.

Some Useful Measures.

An experienced cook tells me that these are the measures indicated in the books: Two cups mean one pint; one cup of butter is half a pound; butter size of an egg is two ounces; one cup of granulated sugar is half a pound; two tablespoonfuls (liquid) are equal to one fluid ounce; two wineglassfuls are one gill; one teaspoonful of salt is a level teaspoonful; one teaspoonful of sugar is a rounded teaspoonful; four teaspoonfuls (liquid) are equal to one tablespoonful; one heaping tablespoonful of butter is one ounce; two heaping tablespoonfuls of flour are one ounce; two and one-half cupfuls of pulverized sugar are one pound.—New York Press.

Scurvy.

Science has come to the conclusion that scurvy is caused by the impoverished condition of the blood, and that, in turn, is caused by poor food, and especially by tainted meat. It used to be considered that scurvy was caused by the want of fresh vegetables or lime juice, but it is known now that the eating of salted or improperly preserved meat or tainted meat, in any form can produce scurvy even when lime juice or vegetables are being taken at the same time.

THE SONNET'S VOICE.

[A metrical lesson for the seashore.]

You silvery billows [illegible] each
Fall back in foam [illegible] that shine clear,
The while my rhymes are murmuring in your ear

A restless lore like that the billows teach,
For on these sonnet waves my soul would reach
From its own depths and rest within you, dear,
As, through the billowy voices yearning here,
Great nature strives to find a human speech.

A sonnet is a wave of melody;
From heaving waters of the impassioned soul
A billow of tidal music one and whole
Flows in the "octave;" then, returning free,
Its ebbing surges in the "sestet" roll
Back to the deeps of life's tumultuous sea.

—Theodore Watts.

The Center of the Earth.

Of late years the general view has been that the interior of the globe, though partly liquid, is for the most part solid. Some have considered that a section through the earth would show the following:

(1) An outer solid envelope, (2) a semifluid envelope, (3) a fluid envelope, (4) a semifluid envelope, (5) a solid nucleus. No. 1 results from a reduced temperature only, No. 2 from a pressure and temperature not quite sufficient for liquidation, No. 3 from a temperature sufficiently high to produce complete liquidation, No. 4 from a pressure so great as to prevent even the terrific heat which most certainly exists deep down in the earth from completely liquefying the material on which it works, and No. 5 from a pressure which overcomes completely the liquefying power even of the maximum heat of the interior.

This pressure is estimated to be at the center of the earth 7,180,593,750 pounds to the square foot, a pressure so enormous that no known substance could fuse beneath it. Even hydrogen at the highest possible temperature would under such conditions become as hard as a diamond. Hence it seems probable that, far from there being a vacuum at the center of the earth, there is a basis of intensely solid matter there.

He Wanted a Drink.

Some years ago Colonel Crisp, was in New York, and being in attendance at a certain notable political gathering in Madison Square Garden was called upon for a speech. And did he accept? Well, rather! Running his fingers through his hair, adjusting his vest and pushing up his coat sleeves, he started in to sprinkle eagle feathers all over the stage. Now, the colonel is a stout man and has a thirst in proportion. In the course of his passionate harangue he became very warm and asked that some water be provided. In compliance with the request a diminutive pitcher and dainty little glass were brought and placed before him.

Colonel Crisp looked at it intently for a few moments, and then "What is this?" he thundered.

"W-w-water," timidly answered one of the vice presidents.

"Young man," bellowed the colonel, his nostrils quivering with suppressed rage, "either bring me a bucket and a gourd or lead me to the branch."—Kansas City Independent.

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And men are only human,
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Alack that fate ordained it so!
'Tis passing melancholy;
But naught that reason e'er can show
Is half so sweet as folly.

In arrant whims some witchcraft lies
That logic ever misses,
And common sense looks plain to eyes
That seek capricious blisses.

While unto every lover's fire
It adds a wealth of fuel
If she who doth his love inspire
Is sometimes rather cruel.

Know what you will, mesdames, but know
The acme of all knowledge
Is tact, albeit we cannot show
Its chair in any college.

Keep some small foibles—for I deem
You have them, being human—
And so be what you do not seem—
A reasonable woman.

—Beatrice Hanscom in Century.

A TROOPER'S SECRET

It Was Only Revealed After He Had Fallen.

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Maybe you have served in the ranks and know all about it; but, if not, let me tell you that war develops strange things in men. In a company of 100 men you will find more love, romance and sorrow than you would hear of in a 1,000 men at home. It was a lady's pleasure and duty to share things with a comrade. At home a man would not have talked of his wife, his hopes and fears even to a brother. Down there in the enemy's country, in hut or tent or lying under the same blanket after the day's fight was over, man turned to man and whispered his secrets. It was because we lived together, fought together, ate together and the shadow of death covered us all alike.

You like a man who has shared your hardships; you love him when he has risked your dangers. So it was that we might sit down with the company together before him and tell of those who had left wives behind them, and those who had left sweethearts, and those who had found correspondents and were mingling romance with war.

It was known, as if it were a family matter, that the orderly sergeant's wife was ill and hence he left home, leaving [illegible] motherless; that Private Hayes had quarreled with his sweetheart, and Corporal Johnson's farm was going to rack and ruin since he enlisted. We heard these things and a thousand others, and we stood always ready to congratulate or sympathize with each other. I have known the big fellow to come rushing into a winter camp elated by six inches of snow and wake the entire company by insisting that he might read a letter he was telling him the baby actually taken three whole steps all by himself.

We were keen as to war, but we were keen as to gossip of children as to trifles. I was with all of Company G except [illegible] and I knew the history of every man in the company. I knew that Private Haskins had a mother and sister living in Ohio, that he had been a student at college, that he had left behind him a reputation for wildness and dissipation, that he had been a leader in all the pranks and escapades of the college boys, that he had been a favorite with the ladies and that he had left behind him a host of friends who would be glad to welcome him back.

Haskins was a good soldier. He was always ready for duty, and he was always cheerful. He was a favorite with the officers and with the men. He was a good shot, a good rider and a good fellow. He was a good soldier, a good fellow and a good friend. He was a good soldier, a good fellow and a good friend. He was a good soldier, a good fellow and a good friend

street. We heard these things and a thousand others, and we stood always ready to congratulate or sympathize with each other. I have known the big sergeant to come rushing into a winter day covered by six men and wake them all up that he might read a letter from home telling that the baby actually had taken three whole steps all by himself. We were men as to war, women as to gossip, children as to trifles.

[illegible] as so with all of Company G except one single instance. "Trooper [illegible] was a stranger, among us [illegible] enlisted. He continued to be a stranger to his last hour. When we [illegible] up as men size up each other we take it that he had some secret in his life which he did not care to lay bare to the world. One could see by the stoop of his shoulders, by the look in his eyes and by the wrinkles on his face that he had been hard hit and would suffer to the end.

As men we respected his secret and praised his courage in bearing up under his sorrows, but as soldiers we felt that his lack of confidence in us was an imputation. We stood ready to console and sympathize, but he kept us at arm's length. We felt sorry for him at first that he received no letters—that there was not one single person in all the world to write a word of cheer—but as months and months came and went without a letter from home we began to wonder if he had any home. We gave each other credit for curiosity and village as we naturally are we indulged each other's letters as we sat around the campfire, we compared our confidences in the darkness, but never Private Haskins. He [illegible] friend. He had a comrade, but in the sense that he shared the daily [illegible] and the same rations. [illegible] had failed to discover whether Haskins was married or [illegible] or a bachelor, a man [illegible] been cleanly wronged or a [illegible] when he could get nothing whatever from him as to his past—he turned [illegible] on him and said to us:

"[illegible] can't tackle him out, and I'm going to try any further. If he [illegible] to the end of us, let him [illegible]

I got down on Private Haskins to extent that he was socially outcast. That notion more than I can explain to you. We gave him credit for his soldierly qualities—and it was [illegible] to deny that he was a brave [illegible] but he was forced to live alone. [illegible] were, in the midst of thousands, [illegible] every move made against [illegible] and many of them must have hurt. [illegible] and added to his burdens. [illegible] ever heard him complain. I [illegible] he sincerely was glad of the isolation. It gave him time to think and [illegible] and he would do this by the [illegible] judge the man. I had to respect [illegible] we simply ostracized him [illegible] way, just as some [illegible] will plunge [illegible] Oh, life is [illegible] and we [illegible] have made [illegible]

[illegible] little was said between us, and by and by Private Haskins fell into one of his moods.

From the corner of my eye I watched his pipe puff at longer intervals until it finally died out. He looked straight ahead of him across the field or the wall as his ears drank in the notes of the birds. He forgot that I was near. His thoughts went back to the old grief, and I saw the changes in his soul written on his face. There were joy and gladness; there were grief and pain; there were wavering and determination. At the end of a quarter of an hour he suddenly sobbed in his throat. Then he rose up and started across the field toward the wall.

"What is it, Haskins? What do you see? Hold on!" I called to him, but he never halted or turned his head.

"Come back!" I called. "A sharpshooter may be hiding behind the wall! Come back!"

I heard him gasping and sobbing as he pushed forward. I would have run after him and caught him, as one might a somnambulist who was approaching the edge of a precipice, but just then our horses reared and snorted and required my strongest efforts to prevent them from breaking away. When I could look around, the man was nearly at the wall. I was about to shout at him again, when he stopped, threw up his arms and sank down, and he was lying on his back on the frost-bitten grass before I heard the report of the rifle which had slain him. Then a squad of cavalry dashed out and tried to capture the slayer, but went thundering up the road toward the reserve picket, with bullets singing louder than the rebels.

Half an hour later I was back with a [illegible]. We charged past the dead [illegible] the grass and up to the stone [illegible] but no one was in sight. All that [illegible] was the peaceful farmhouse beyond; all that we heard were the voices of the birds.

The enemy had been to view the man they had slain. From one of his pockets, in searching for what might be [illegible] carrying away, they had taken [illegible] letter—a letter dated years before and in a woman's hand. They had read it, or at least a few lines of it. Then they had spread it out on his breast and left him with body unsearched, perhaps lifting their hats in reverence as they turned to ride away.

We saw the letter and lifted it up and realized that [illegible] was the trooper's secret.

"Let no man read it!" commanded the captain. "It belonged to him. He is dead." And, holding it aloft in his hand, he touched the letter [illegible] a lighted match, and as the paper [illegible] curled and [illegible] to [illegible] carried away to the [illegible] were [illegible] of [illegible] and [illegible]

Toasts and Wages.

[illegible] were the [illegible] Sor- [illegible] Wash-

"Her Touch."

A sailor who met with a serious accident was carried to the London hospital. The poor mother hurried to the building to see her son. She was met by a kind but firm refusal from the house physician, but nothing daunted she pleaded for admission to the poor fellow's bedside. Who could resist a mother's entreaties? The safety of the patient day it his being kept absolutely quiet, but the physician consented to her admission on condition that she did not speak a word. She stole softly to his bedside and gazed as only a mother can at her unconscious boy. She dare not speak, but a mother's love was not to be denied all expression, and gently laying her hand on his fevered brow she let it rest there a moment and then noiselessly crept from the room.

The watchful nurse heard the consciousness murmur the words, "Her touch," and, rousing himself, he added, "Surely my mother has been here. I know her touch."

Ah, there was an electric thrill of sympathy in that touch which told its own tale to the dying man!—Weekly Budget.

A Match Trick.

A feat which any one can perform with little or no practice is that of placing 14 matches upon a table and lifting them all up upon one of the matches. This is how it is done: Pick out one match—the one that has the flattest surface—and then place six of the other matches about one-fourth each across the first one, each of the six being parallel to each other and the thickness of a match distant from each other. Next place six other matches one-fourth each across the first match, but from the other side, all parallel and in the spaces left by the arrangement of the first six matches. Now take the fourteenth match, lay it over the 12 matches where they intersect, and by carefully lifting match No. 1 and holding match No. 14 in place you will accomplish without difficulty the feat.—Adelaide Herrmann in Woman's Home Companion.

The Jefferson Bible.

"The Jefferson Bible in the Smithsonian institution," says the Washington correspondent of the Chicago Record, "has never been printed. The manuscript remains as it left Jefferson's hands, and, although several persons have proposed from time to time to print it, no one has ever done so. The Bible consists only of the teachings of Christ, extracts from the gospel arranged in chronological order from his birth to his ascension, and nothing else. All controversial passages are left out."

Crazy to Expect It.

Harrippe—Say, old fellow, lend me a hundred, will you?

Riggs—A hundred what?

Harrippe—A hundred dollars. I—

Riggs—Oh, stop your joking!

Harrippe (seriously)—Joking? I was never more serious in my life. I'm broke.

Riggs—My dear man, you're not broke. You're cracked!—Catholic Standard and Times.

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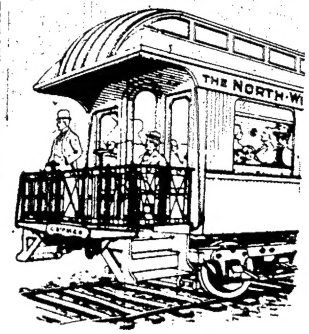

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The Str. Phantom which has been engaged clearing boulders from the channel in Rainy River during the past couple of months returned to Rat Portage this week, the water in the river having risen too high for economical work.

The Gardner, Rice, McLeod Co. announce a special half-price dress goods sale for the rest of the month of September. Read their big advertisement in this week's issue, and take advantage of this exceptional chance to get fashionable dress goods.

The W. C. T. U. will hold a parlor social at the residence of Mrs. J. Smith cor. Agnes and Gertie Sts. on Tuesday evening, Sept. 25th at 8 o'clock. A collection will be taken. All are welcome.

An impromptu musical quartette, composed of Messrs. Landree, Gamble, Warren and Cuthbert, were on the trip to the Mikado on Monday and rendered several selections on the way out. They were also requested to sing at the concert in the evening.

The Rat Portage Lumber Co. have a large number of men at work getting out logs on the Lake of the Woods. The logs are being driven down the Winnipeg River and will be sawed at the mill here.

The Lady Maccabees will hold a social evening in the Oddfellows' hall on Thursday evening, Sept. 27th. Refreshments will be served and a good time is assured all who attend.

Mr. Rochester, of Knox church, will conduct services at the Mikado on Sunday next, his pulpit here being occupied by Rev. Mr. McKenzie.

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Millinery Opening.

Miss Cook's fall millinery opening will take place Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, next week, Sept. 25, 26, and 27th.

Concert at the Mikado.

Last Monday the members of Knox church choir went on the Balmoral to the Mikado mine to take part in the concert given there, the occasion being the opening of the new boarding camps lately erected by the Mikado company. The concert was a great success and enjoyed by everyone. The choir rendered several anthems. Miss McRitchie, Messrs. Douglass and Sutherland contributed a solo each. Miss Morden and Mr. Blackie gave recitations. Rev. Mr. McKenzie sang Chinese and Gaelic songs, which pleased the audience. Messrs. Landru, Gamble, Warren and Cuthbert rendered musical selections. Mr. Rochester's speech entitled "Bobs" was well received. After the concert the visitors were treated to a supper, gotten up by the ladies of the Mikado mine. After spending a very enjoyable evening the party reached home at 11:30 Tuesday morning. As the choir was leaving for home Miss Courtney had the misfortune to fall between the dock and the boat and received serious injuries.

Mr. F. Hall, of Barrie was in town Wednesday on his way to Rainy river to look over the district from an agricultural standpoint.

Thirteen Lives Lost.

St. John's Nfld., Sept. 18. Reports of marine disasters during last week's gale continue to pour in from remote localities. Today's advices show 17 more vessels ashore and 13 lives lost. Considerable damage was done to property along the seaboard

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And notice is hereby further given that after the said 30th day of September, A. D. 1900, the undersigned will proceed to distribute the estate of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he then shall have received notice, and the administrator will not be liable for the said estate or any part thereof, to any person or persons of whose claims he shall have received no notice.

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The Christian Endeavor societies of Rat Portage, Norman and Keewatin, will meet in the Baptist church next Monday evening.

The Salvation Army authorities have chosen as the dates of the celebration of their Annual Harvest Thanksgiving Festival, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, Sept. 29th to Oct. 2nd. We are informed that the time-honored custom of meeting together to publicly offer praise to God for the bountiful blessings of the year is to be again received in a practical way. The Salvationists will receive as a token of gratitude to God gifts in kind as well as cash. Anything in the possession of the merchant, the farmer, the grocer, or the druggist, would if offered, be "thankfully received" and be turned to account in the interests and support of the many beneficient and deserving agencies of this unique organization, the members of which work so vigorously and continually for

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